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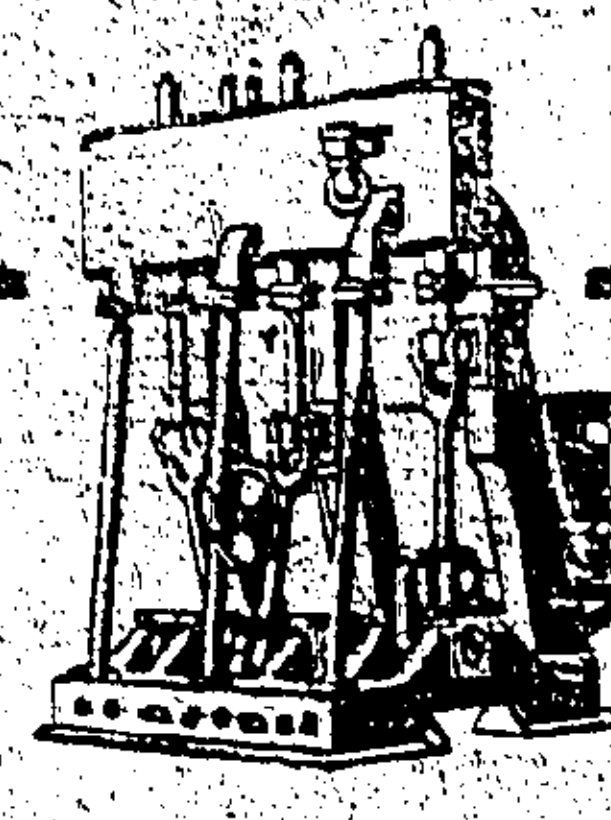
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THE WAR. TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ANOTHER BRITISH ATTACK.

London, Oct. 3.
11 p.m.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:
The enemy heavily bombarded this morning the positions between Tower Hamlets and Polygon Wood. His infantry attempted to advance but our artillery broke down the attack, on the bulk of the front, before it reached our lines. A few penetrated the barrage, to the north of the Menin Road, but our infantry completely repulsed them, and our positions are intact.
There was a great artillery duel to the east of Ypres.
Our aeroplanes dropped eight tons of bombs, on Tuesday, and hits were observed on three aerodromes in the Courtrai area and a fourth near Cambrai. We successfully attacked dumps near Douai and sidings at Roulers.
The enemy avoided our fighting planes but attacked the long distance bombing planes, far to the eastward of the line.
Six German machines were brought down and four were driven down. Six of ours are missing.

THE NEW ATTACK.

London, Oct. 4.
We attacked at 6 this morning on a wide front, to the east of Ypres. Our troops are making satisfactory progress and a number of prisoners have already been taken.

THE HOMERIC CHARACTER OF THE CONTEST.

London, Oct. 4.
Colonel Remington, writing to the Times, and referring to Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig's repulse of the enemy's furious and reiterated counter-attacks, emphasises the unusually arduous conditions under which these victories have been gained. He says: For some weeks the British armies alone have delivered attacks and along the whole vast length of the other allied front there has been no great attack at all. When the whole length of the Allied line is over 1,600 miles and we are doing the chief fighting on a front of a dozen miles, the character of the contest becomes somewhat Homeric. Although the enemy has brought up men, guns and aircraft from all the other fronts and concentrated them against us, the Germans were beaten every day.

GERMAN REPORT.

A German official message states: There was a powerful artillery duel throughout the night from Houthout Wood to Lys, and this morning there was drum fire. Strong English attacks developed.
The French attempt to recapture the position at Hill 244, broke down.

BOMBING THE BELGIAN COAST.

London, Oct. 4.
The Admiralty announces that naval aircraft bombed St. Denis, Westhoek, Belgium, last night. Bombs fell on the railway station, the town and the railway line.

BRITISH REPRISALS.

London, Oct. 4.
Reuter learns on the highest authority, that the Government has decided to adopt reprisals.

LATER.
The Times states that the Cabinet decision to carry out reprisals presumably means that construction has now reached a point at which an air offensive can be undertaken without interfering with the requirements of the Army in the field. The Government's policy is not one of hurried improvisations, as the result of raids.

LATER.
It is stated that the Government has ordered a greatly increased production of aeroplanes for raiding purposes.

MORE FRENCH REPRISALS.

London, Oct. 4.
A French communiqué states that the artillery, on both sides, was active, on the night of the Meuse.

THE OPERATIONS IN EAST AFRICA.

THE ENEMY CORNERED.
London, Oct. 4.
Reuter's special correspondent, telegraphing from Massingir, states that the situation in East Africa was interesting as it is hopeful.

The theatre of war is now confined to a single corner of the Colony and the vicinity of the troops, which was so great early in the campaign, has been obliterated by the establishment of new bases at Kilwa and Lindi, in close proximity to the fighting front at Mahenge, Liwale and Mtsami, which are the only points of importance left to the Germans, and the net is daily drawing closer around them.

THE ITALIAN FRONT.

London, Oct. 4.
An Italian official message states: We broke up repeated enemy attacks, on the western slopes of Mont St. Gabriello.

THE BALKAN FRONT.

BRITISH AIRCRAFT AND CAVALRY OPERATIONS.
London, Oct. 4.
A British message from Salonika states that our aeroplanes carried out a most successful raid, on an extensive scale, bombing camps and dumps at Belashitz and Plazina. They machine-gunned and scattered troops and brought down one hostile aeroplane.

Our cavalry drove out enemy detachments from Jemimah and to the south of Setes, and destroyed an observation post.

NEW GERMAN "TANK."

London, Oct. 4.
Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters states:
The Germans are experimenting with a tank fitted with a beam to assist in crossing trenches. A small conning tower for observation purposes projects from the roof. The armour comes well down protecting the caterpillars, and it carries a three-inch gun and two machine-guns.

AMERICA'S WAR FINANCE.

Madison, Wisconsin, Oct. 4.
Mr. McAdoo, in a speech, said that, excluding the taxation of the United States, they must raise \$1,000,000,000 per year to fund the war during the current year. He added that success was certain.

INTIMATIONS

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

ENTRIES CLOSE for the HARBOUR RACE at 6 P.M. on 5th inst. 1917.
HON. SECRETARY,
Victoria Recreation Club,
Hongkong, Oct. 4, 1917. 2159

BANK HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1915 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Foreign Business on MONDAY, the 5th instant.
Hongkong, Oct. 4, 1917. 2170

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T. F. HOUGH,
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Hongkong, Sept. 29, 1917. 2147

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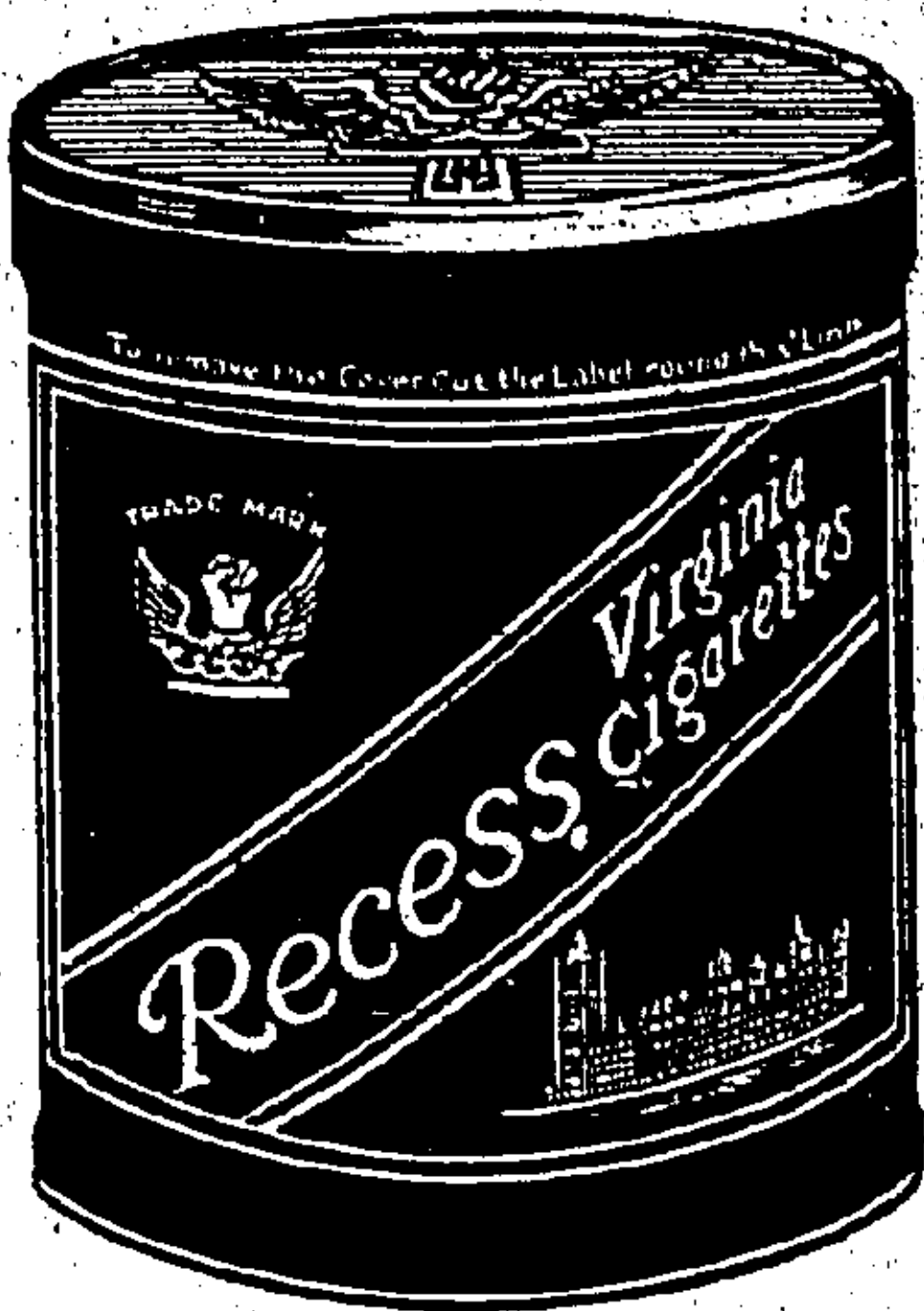
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GERMANY'S CRUELTY TO
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FUGITIVE.

A citizen of Liège, who has succeeded in escaping from Belgium, draws a terrible picture, says Reuter, of the sufferings of the repatriated deportees and of the brutality with which the unfortunate people are still treated by the Germans. This escaped Belgian has been engaged since March at an infirmary outside Liège station, and has witnessed the arrival of train after train of repatriated deportees. Describing what he had seen, Reuter's informant said:—
"Many of the men had to be detained at Liège owing to their desperate condition. The trains contained sometimes 500 to 600 men, who had been for three days practically without food.
"A great many of them had their feet and legs frost-bitten or frozen off, and had to be carried on stretchers. They had been obliged to walk for hours in their shaggy feet in the snow. We had an average of two deaths every day in our small infirmary.
"Some of them were so famished, that they could not take any food, and had to be fed with a spoon. Others ate ravenously anything that they could snatch from your hand.
"Eighty per cent. are stricken with tuberculosis, and will never recover. Such is the result of a few months' imprisonment in the German prison camps and kommandos.
GROWN IN RAGE
"The first time we saw them alight from the train we could not believe that these ragged, gaunt, and haggard faces, and feet wrapped in muddy sackcloth, could be the same men who had passed through Liège singing patriotic songs on their way to Germany.
"According to their reports, many have died over there. Many also died on the way home, every train bringing a load of three or four dead as well as dying. Many more have died at home later, after terrible sufferings from the incurable diseases which they have contracted.
"But these physical tortures are nothing beside the moral trials to which they have been subjected. Some of the men have gone quite mad, and do not realize that they have come back. One of the men I attended in his delirium repeated incessantly the same cry, while making a movement as if pushing something away. 'I will not sign, I will not sign.' He did not, and he died for it in my arms."

SAILOR WAR-PRISONERS.

1915 REPATRIATION AGREEMENT
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AMSTERDAM, Aug. 9.
According to the "Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung," the Hamburg Committee for Commerce, Shipping, and Industry has been informed by the Imperial Chancellor that in December 1915 an agreement was concluded between the British and German Governments, according to which sailors and apprentices of the mercantile marine who, on December 4, 1915, were 50 and 17 years old respectively, were to be repatriated.
All German soldiers, the statement says, have returned home, with the exception of six apprentices.
In accordance with a further treaty, concluded at the end of last year, all officers and sailors of merchant vessels of 45 years of age are also to be sent home.
Regarding the repatriation of civilians fit for military service, and ships officers and sailors between the ages of 17 and 45, negotiations have not yet concluded.
The statement adds that owing to the unrestricted U boat warfare the repatriation of civil prisoners had been generally interrupted. Regarding the resumption of repatriation negotiations are now proceeding with the British Government.—Reuter.

SOVEREIGN AND FOREIGN
AFFAIRS.

A question was asked in the House of Commons by Mr. Swift MacNeill with reference to certain statements attributed to Prince Henry of Prussia in the articles in the "Daily Telegraph" by Mr. Gerard, former United States Ambassador to America.
Mr. Gerard reported a conversation with Prince Henry, in which a statement was made with regard to British foreign policy—since authoritatively denied—was attributed to King George.
Mr. MacNeill asked for an assurance that the rule of constitutional practice still obtained, namely, that the Sovereign did not take independent action in foreign affairs.
Mr. Bonar Law's reply was that the rule still obtained, and there had been no change in the practice that prevailed during the reign of Queen Victoria.

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The Genoa-Milan express met with disaster early in August. The death toll amounted to 40, whilst the injured exceeded 100, of whom 60 were grievously hurt.
Among the killed were an American traveller named Rene Hammond, and an as yet unidentified English lady, who was carrying considerable sums in bank notes, cheques, and ready cash. Several prominent bankers, industrialists, priests, doctors, and military men also lost their lives.
The disaster is supposed to have been due to a sudden access of madness on the part of the inexperienced engine-driver, as a result of which the train ran uncontrolled at a tremendous velocity till it was derailed on rounding a sharp curve at Argento Sciviano.
The engine leapt up perpendicularly from the rails. Half a dozen of the nearest carriages became piled one on top of another and took fire. As, however, both the engine-driver and the fireman, as well as most of the officials on the train, perished, and the engine was reduced to a mass of twisted wreckage, it is unlikely that the real cause of the disaster will be ascertained.

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Mr. Bonar Law stated in Parliament recently that according to official statements the expenditure of the German Government from February to May of this year was at the rate of £16,000,000 per month, or about £5,000,000 per day, compared with £10,000,000 per month for the first half of 1916. The figure did not include civil expenditure or loans to allies.
The total expenditure of the French Government out of the vote of credit for all purposes was £137,000,000 per month, or £4,566,666 per day, and for the 115 days of the present financial year our own daily expenditure was at the rate of £28,780,000 per day.

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THE CALENDAR.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.
10.45 a.m.—Auction of Miscellaneous Goods (Dress Materials, Boots and Shoes etc.) at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.
6 p.m.—Promenade Concert in Public Gardens.

General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, Oct. 7:
9 a.m.—Al Fresco Pic at R.C. Cathedral Compound.
MONDAY, Oct. 8:
General Holiday.
6 p.m.—Entire close for the Harbour Swimming Race.
TUESDAY, Oct. 9:
3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at P.W.D.
4.45 p.m.—Auction of Postage Stamps at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 10:
3.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture etc. at "Nettlewood," 55 Robinson Road.
5.30 p.m.—Harbour Swimming Race.
Opening night of the "Fantastics" at the Theatre Royal.
THURSDAY, Oct. 11:
3.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, Blackwood, Piano etc. at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.
FRIDAY, Oct. 12:
Noon—Hongkong Jockey Club's Half-Yearly Meeting.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Manila Observatory reports a cyclone or typhoon E. of Luzon, more than 300 miles distant, direction unknown.

The death is announced at Eastbourne on August 9th of Mr R. C. M. R. Sanderson, late of the Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs, aged 33.

Monday next being a General Holiday, the Post Office will be open from 8 to 9 a.m. only. There will be one delivery of ordinary correspondence and one collection of letters from the Pillar Boxes. The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

To-day being the anniversary of the Portuguese Republic an informal reception will be held at the Portuguese Consulate this morning at 11 o'clock, when calls were paid by all the prominent Portuguese residents. Mr E. M. V. R. de Souza received the visitors. The Portuguese Club at Kowloon, the Club do Recreio, will celebrate this day by treating all Portuguese children to a tea on the Club's grounds at 4 p.m. Later in the evening, a soiree will be held. There will be dancing, the music being supplied by the band of the 74th Puntabais.

TO-MORROW'S CONCERT IN THE BOTANIC GARDENS.

The following is the programme of to-morrow night's concert in the Botanic Gardens. H. E. the Governor has stated his intention to be present and the grounds will be illuminated.

- Part 1.
1. Selection: "Reminiscences of Ireland." Arranged by Godfrey.
2. Waltz: "Beautiful Spring." Joye.
3. Baritone Solo: "The King of the Mountains." M. Valerie White.
4. Selection: "Some" Tala.
5. Soprano Solo: "The Long Long Trail." No. 1111.
6. (a) Intermezzo: "Demise of the Chic." Fletcher.
(b) Tango: "Mi Amada." W. A. Leigh.
7. Selection: "Gypsy Love." Lehar.
8. Selection: "Rigoletto." Verdi.
9. Contralto Solo: "A Perfect Day." Carrie Jacobs Bond.
10. (Violin Obligato): "Our Miss Gibbs." Monckton.
11. Baritone Solo: "Thora." Adams.
12. Selection: "Carmen." Bizet.
God save the King.

NO 'OUR DAY' GYMKHANA

The Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club intimates that the suggestions for a Gymkhana on "Our Day" have been considered, but for several reasons found to be impracticable, and the usual Fifth and Final Gymkhana of the Season has been fixed for October 27th.

It should be noted that a percentage of the Sweeps is sent after each meeting to the War Charities Fund, the last amounting to \$151.50, while the whole surplus derived from the Gymkhana since the beginning of the war has been handed over to charities periodically, when ascertained.

The small Saturday afternoon Meetings are of course trivial compared with the Annual Official Meetings of the Jockey Club, but it is gratifying to find that public support of the first four meetings this season enables the Gymkhana Club to send a cheque for \$1,000.00 to the Lady May Rose Fund. This is probably a great deal more than could be realised by holding a special Gymkhana, while the meeting on the 27th should result in a further substantial addition to the War Charities Fund.

The provisional programme for the Gymkhana on October 27th is as follows:
1. Five Furlong Handicap for China Ponies that have run in any race at the last four Gymkhana.
2. Winners of any Flat Race at Gymkhana this season, 1 mile.
3. Distance Handicap, about half a mile.
4. Ladies' Nomination Academy Art Competition.
5. 2 1/2 H. Club Handicap, One Round.
6. A Class Handicap, 1 mile.

The following advertisement appears in the "China Mail" paper on Friday, October 5, 1917.

THE DRAWING FOR WAR BONDS.

[BY "SECRETATOR"]

I notice in a reprint of a sermon delivered by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald at Union Church on Sunday a remark to the effect that only one Hongkong newspaper, so far as his observation went, had published the remarkable fact that the Governments of India and the Straits Settlements had gone back on their positions with regard to War Loan Lotteries. I do not know what inference the preacher intended his congregation to draw from the remark. The most obvious inference is that three out of the four newspapers to reproduce these pronouncements, were deliberately conspiring to shield the local Government, which has since given its sanction to a drawing for War Bonds, so that in the words of Mr. Macdonald "we in Hongkong are left to put up with the 'distinct mischief' whose phenomena will develop between now and drawing day, and subsequently."

Mr. Macdonald apparently saw in a contemporary a week or ten days ago a piece of "news" that was several months old. The Indian Government communiqué was reproduced in the China Mail on July 20th and the Straits Government's communiqué on September 18th. So the insinuation that three papers in the Colony have maintained "a curious silence" on the subject is as unjustified as the version Mr. Macdonald has given of the Indian communiqué appears to me misleading. I know Mr. Macdonald too well to think for a moment that he was intentionally misleading. One gathers from the reverend gentleman's sermon that he was under the impression that the Indian Government's communiqué followed upon experience gained from the recent War Loan lotteries held in India. I think I am right in saying that this communiqué was written before the tickets were actually on sale—certainly it was at least a couple of months before any of the drawings in India took place. The communiqué was written on May 8th and the earliest of the drawings, I believe, took place towards the end of July.

What the communiqué said was that as long ago as 1882, the attention of local Governments and administrations was drawn to the fact that the practice of holding lotteries, for whatever object, was distinctly mischievous, and that it should not receive encouragement of any kind from the Government. As instances had come to the notice of the Government of India of attempts to organise lotteries in various parts of India in aid of the war loan, they considered it necessary to emphasise the importance of strict adherence to the policy laid down in 1882, which it is not intended to alter. The communiqué went on to say that recently—that is just prior to the issue of this instruction—"it is true, the Western Indian Press Club and the Royal Calcutta Turf Club have been authorised, with the approval of the Government of India, to conduct lotteries in aid of the war loan. The circumstances in which sanction was given were however entirely exceptional, and these two instances should not be regarded as constituting precedents for the encouragement or authorisation of other lotteries, whether in aid of the war loan or not."

Now what is the difference between this attitude and that adopted by the Hongkong Government? That "the practice of holding lotteries" is "distinctly mischievous" is evidently a fact as strongly held by the Hongkong Government as by the Governments of India and the Straits Settlements. The local Gambling Ordinance passed in 1891 was born of that conviction, and there is no thought of allowing the holding of lotteries in Hongkong to become a practice. What is being done in Hongkong is precisely what has been done in India, Burma, the Straits Settlements and the Malay States. The circumstances in which sanction has been given are "entirely exceptional." Every cent of the money which the effort brings in goes to aid War Funds for the relief of distress or for the prosecution of the War to a victorious end. The "drawing" is expected to obtain for that purpose a large sum of money which would not be contributed in other ways. That is the sole recommendation and justification and most people agree in thinking that this is a case where if there is any departure from standards of morality or of public opinion, the Government is justified in not doing so. Since there have been no lotteries in Hongkong since the war began, it is not surprising that the public mind is not so much prejudiced against them as it is in other parts of the Empire.

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I noticed a short time ago that the Rev. Adam Mackay, B.D., an eminent Scottish divine, preaching in the Queen's Park Parish Church at Glasgow in defence of a lottery in aid of War Charities said he could not help having regrets that when the Government legislated on the subject of lotteries they did not exempt from the operation of the law all games and lotteries of a charitable nature. Mr. Macdonald, on the other hand, is an out-and-out Puritan in these matters. I can quite understand his point of view; but there are two views of the morality of this question as there are of most things, and I should like to quote this one paragraph from the sermon of the Scottish divine to which allusion is made above:

"We are at war! Clamant needs have asserted, and will continue to assert themselves until the war is at an end, and any step which helps to mitigate its horrors or seeks to shorten it even by one hour deserves our whole-hearted approval and support. 'Is it lawful to do good, or to do evil?' our Lord asked on a historic occasion, 'to save life or to kill?' and on the answer there seemed to hang the sanctity of the Sabbath Day. Depend upon it, if the Saviour who risked that to heal a man's withered hand, is prepared to risk a great deal more to-day to save your brother's life and mine, 'And I for one do not hesitate to take my stand with Him on all questions which are not opposed to conscience and to say, 'If this helps to bring nearer the day of victory and peace, God help it! God forward it! If humaneness commands, my quarrel is with them. To his own conscience a man standeth or falleth.'"

I see that Mr. Macdonald in a letter to a contemporary says that to his knowledge young fellows are plunging to a degree which will be ruinous for them if they fail to win a prize. All I can say is that those young fellows must be born fools who should be left to the penalties of their folly. No legislation, I imagine, would ever cure them. It is better that they should suffer the penalties of their folly than that, by the elimination of this drawing, hundreds of our wounded soldiers should be left to suffer from any deficiency of medical supplies.

The average man says to himself: "I put my \$5 into the draw because I know every cent of it will go to a good cause. If I look comes to my door I will gladly contribute more to the cause than I should be able to do otherwise." Personally I shall have no more qualms of conscience about taking a chance in the War Loan Drawing than in taking a chance in a raffle at a Church bazaar, and I am sure the "Our Day" Committee would be only too pleased to see Mr. Macdonald, or a man of his views, draw the first prize, for then they would surely have the gratification of seeing the full value of the bonds go to the Red Cross Fund."

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THE MAGISTRACY.

AN UNAUTHORISED SCHOOL.

A Chinese schoolmaster was summoned before Mr. Wood this morning for illegally keeping a school at 70 First Street, West Point, without having applied and obtained a certificate of registration of such school.

A Chinese school inspector told His Worship that on several occasions he found defendant, teaching 14 pupils whereas he was only allowed nine.

His Worship cautioned defendant against a similar offence in the future and fined him \$10.

A BAD CHARACTER.

A villainous looking Chinese, describing himself as a boiler maker, was charged before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning with the possession of a complete burgling outfit with the intent to commit a felony.

Inspector Gordon stated that defendant was found loitering in Kimberley Road near Mr. Beckwith's house last night at about midnight. He was arrested by a Chinese detective and brought to the Police Station. When they searched him they found a set of burglar's tools consisting of a lock picker, pinners etc., and also a packet of pepper, tied up in a napkin. Defendant was a bad character and could give no proof of having done any honest work lately.

After further evidence was heard, His Worship sentenced the defendant to four months' gaol.

ALLEGED UNLAWFUL SALE OF LIQUOR.

Inspector A. K. Taylor (R) charged a Chinese restaurant keeper at 317 Des Vaux Road with committing a breach of his licence by selling liquor otherwise than in conjunction with a bona fide meal.

The case was remanded by Mr. Dyer Ball to Wednesday next.

MR. BERNARD SHAW ON STOCKHOLM.

THE WAR HAS GOT TO BE FOUGHT TO A FINISH.

"I am very doubtful about going to Stockholm. I don't quite see what we are going there for," said Mr. Bernard Shaw, speaking at Goulburn in the middle of August.

"War is a thing which does not enter the Socialist scheme of society, yet we Socialists are insisting that they have something to do with the war and that they will have an important part in making the terms of peace. But they will find that they will have nothing whatever to do with the terms of peace, whatever desires they might have on the matter. At the end of the Franco-Prussian War the Germans had a victory, and they simply took everything they could get. You may think it from me that if the Germans beat us in this war they will skin us alive. What is more, they can't help doing it, and their Prime Minister, the Kaiser himself, or the Junkers, or the Socialists may protest against it, and say that they are sowing the seeds of a future war. But they will be just as powerless as Bismarck and the Socialists were after 1871. And if we beat the Germans we shall skin them alive, and we cannot help doing it. No amount of aviation, no Socialists, no Pacificists, no anyone else will prevent us taking the fullest measure of our victory. If we are not going to do so, what are we fighting for?"

"You don't succeed in making an end of war by diluting it. Being in the war you have got to finish it out. But again I ask, is it worth while going to Stockholm to tell them that? If you have any other thing to say to the Germans when you go to Stockholm—what is it?"

M.P. DISSATISFIED WITH RESULTS.

Mr. P. E. Peto, M.P., who has represented East Wiltshire during the present Parliament, has informed the East Wiltshire Unionist Association that he will not be a candidate for Parliament after the war. He has come to the conclusion, after five years of busy strenuous work as a candidate and member, that the results are negligible, and that the great problems that concern the future of the country and Empire after the war had better be dealt with by younger men, to whom the future belongs.

SUNSHINE AND COMMON SENSE.

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HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Last evening the annual meeting of the Hongkong Cricket Club was held at the Club Pavilion. Mr. F. Maitland, president over an attendance which included the Hon. Mr. Claude Stevens, C.M.G., Major Robertson, A.O.D., Dr. Forsyth, and Messrs. T. E. Pearce, H. A. Nisbet, and M. M. Mass.

The Chairman said:—Before referring to the report and accounts I would mention that we have just been reminded of the death of one of our best tennis players, Mr. A. N. Joseph, who has been killed in the war. I am sure it is the earnest wish of all present that this terrible fight may soon end with the crushing of Prussian militarism. As I remarked at the last annual general meeting, a table will be erected in a prominent place in our pavilion bearing a full list of those members who have given their lives in this great fight for freedom. All honour to them. I also refer, with much regret, to the sad death, by accident, of Mr. Woolhead, a popular playing member of our Club. The report and accounts are so full and clear that they need little comment. Again we have the evergreen Mr. Green winning the Singles Tennis Championship, and as this is the third year in succession that he has won the Challenge Cup presented by Sir Paul Chater, I am glad to announce that Sir Paul has again presented a cup in similar terms, open to all comers in the Colony. (Applause.) We have now to realise that our Chinese competitors are improving yearly. Mr. Ng Sze Kwong and Mr. Wong Po Keng, have proved their merits by winning for the first year the Cups kindly presented by Mr. Ho Fook. These cups are open to all comers; in fact, they are for the Doubles Championship of the Colony.

Some very enjoyable cricket matches have been played, and it has been decided to resume League cricket this season, which should lead interest to the game. I am asked to request that all members wishing to play will enter their names in the book provided for the purpose early in the week. This will help the Committee and probably prevent disappointment. Men cannot expect to get a place in the team who only notify their wish to play at the last moment. It is proposed to engage a ground man, and it is suggested that men turn up in good numbers for net practice on at least two days a week, say, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, when good wickets will be provided.

The accounts are very good, although profits from the bar are low. Your Committee have been able to pay off from profits for the last two years, no less than \$2,335 in debentures, including \$250 kindly given to the Club by Mr. Arthur Turner, to whom our thanks are due. We have also been able to pay off during the past year, \$2,345 to War Charities (Applause). It is greatly to the credit of our energetic Hon. Secretary, Mr. P. M. Hodgson, that we can show these good results, and if we continue for a few years on similar lines we shall soon get rid of our debentures, which have been a great drawback to us for so many years. We are also much indebted to Mr. C. B. Brown, Hon. Treasurer, and to Mr. Kennedy, Hon. Auditor, for their good work in the Club's interest.

The report and accounts as presented were adopted, on the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Sims.

Last year's officers were re-elected as follows:—President, Mr. F. Maitland; Hon. Secretary, Mr. P. M. Hodgson; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. C. B. Brown; Committee—Hon. Mr. Claude Stevens, C.M.G., Major Robertson, Messrs. R. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, H. A. Nisbet, R. P. Thornfield, R. Kennedy, M. M. Mass, and F. H. Thomas.

WHAT THE RAILWAYS HAVE DONE FOR THE WAR.

Large numbers of railway-owned steamers have been taken by the simple expedient of commandeering; rolling-stock and permanent way have been sent overseas; railway workshops have been at the disposal of the State for the manufacture of munitions of war in great quantities; permanent way and other work in connection with munitions and other depots has been undertaken for the Government by the railways. The services of various general managers and other officers have been placed at the disposal of the Government for special duties. (Applause.) Mr. Eric Geddes, K.C.B., Sir Guy Granet, Sir Sam Fay, Mr. Guy Chattron, and others; over 150,000 railwaymen have been released for service with the Colours, and generally every effort has been to assist the Government to the greatest possible extent. A central feature of the central is the utilisation of the specialists; knowledge of the various departments and the fact that the Railway Executive Committee is wholly composed of experienced railway officers has been a very material factor in the successful working of the organisation while leaving to each railway a very large measure of self-control. The Railway Executive Committee has also decided the railway policy. When it has been necessary to perform special services in order to assist the Government, the railway companies have been called upon to contribute to the war effort. The fact that the railway companies have been able to do this is a great credit to them. The railway companies have been able to do this because of the excellent working of the organisation while leaving to each railway a very large measure of self-control. The Railway Executive Committee has also decided the railway policy. When it has been necessary to perform special services in order to assist the Government, the railway companies have been called upon to contribute to the war effort. The fact that the railway companies have been able to do this is a great credit to them.

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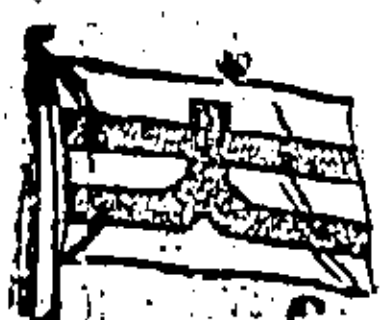
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The above named Steamer having

arrived at Consignees of Cargo are hereby

notified to send in their Bills of Lading

for consignment, and to take immediate

delivery from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on WED-

NESDAY, 3rd October at 5 p.m. will be

landed at Consignees' risk and expense,

and delivery must then be taken from the

Company's Godown.

Storage charges will be assessed on all

Cargo remaining undelivered on SUNDAY,

7th October, at 5 p.m.

No. Fire Insurance whatever will be

effected.

No Claims will be recognised after the

Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and damaged Cargo will

be landed into the Company's Godown,

where they will be examined on 10th

October at 10 a.m.

No Claims will be recognised if filed

after the 21st October, 1917.

T. DAIGO,

Agent.

Hongkong, Oct. 1, 1917.

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HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Major H. A. Morgan, Administrative Commandant.

STRENGTH.

Pte. W. Greig was enrolled on 25.9.17 and posted to "A" Coy. No. 2 Platoon.

Pte. J. O. Wiseman was enrolled on 25.9.17 and posted to "A" Coy. No. 2 Platoon.

Pte. C. A. Grimes was enrolled on 27.9.17 and posted to "B" Coy.

Pte. J. E. Wallace was enrolled on 27.9.17 and posted to "B" Coy.

Pte. James Macdonald was enrolled on 1.10.17 and posted to "D" Coy.

Pte. E. H. Taylor was enrolled on 1.10.17 and posted to "A" Coy. No. 4 Platoon.

Pte. G. A. Tisdall was enrolled on 2.10.17 and posted to "B" Coy.

Pte. D. J. Jones was enrolled on 2.10.17 and posted to "B" Coy.

Pte. T. G. Turnbull was enrolled on 2.10.17 and posted to "D" Coy.

Pte. W. D. Dudge was permitted to resign leaving the Corps on 1.10.17.

LEAVE.

Pte. E. M. Raymond, "B" Coy., is granted two months' leave from 4.10.17.

Pte. L. D. McNeill, "A" Coy., is granted three months' extension of leave from 12.10.17.

Pte. A. R. Lewis, "B" Coy., is granted 21 days' leave from 4.10.17.

Pte. E. E. Dowling, "A" Coy., is granted one month's leave from 9.10.17.

Pte. R. M. Austin, "A" Coy., is granted three weeks' leave from 12.10.17.

PROMOTIONS.

Pte. C. A. Grimes is promoted Corporal, dated 1.10.17.

TRANSFER.

Pte. Thomas Thompson is transferred from "B" Company to "D" Company, dated 4th October, 1917.

TRAINING.

The following courses of training have been approved by the G.O.C.:

Men over 50 years of age.

12 drills per annum (in the cold weather).

Musketry Course as for Transport Workers Battalions.

"D" Company.

12 drills per annum (in the cold weather).

Musketry Course as for Transport Workers Battalions.

Orders for Artillery Company by Capt. J. H. W. Armstrong, Y.D.

Duties for remainder of this month, as per last week's orders, are cancelled.

PARADES.

TUESDAY, 9th instant: 7.30 a.m. Right Half Company at Belchers Battery.

5.30 p.m. Left Half Company at Belchers Battery.

THURSDAY, 11th instant: 5.30 p.m. Left Half Company (Gun numbers other than specialists) at Belchers Battery.

FRIDAY, 12th instant: 7.30 a.m. Right Half Company (Range Takers' Class and Gun Numbers as detailed at Belchers Battery).

5.30 p.m. Right Half Company (Layers' and Setters' Class only), at Belchers Battery.

5.30 p.m. Left Half Company (Layers' and Setters' Class only), at Belchers Battery.

Orders for Engineer Company by Captain H. Russell.

5.30 to 10.30 instant.

Nightly E. L. Manning at Belchers and Lyceum as per Rosters posted at Headquarters.

OFFICERS ON DUTY.

Lyceum, Lieut. Stevenson, O.I.C.

2nd Lt. Brown, O.I.C.

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Belchers, 2nd Lt. Matthews.

PARADES FOR INSTRUCTION.

At Belchers at 8.30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday under command of Lieut. Greig, and Pte. R. V. Corp. Lay and 2nd Corp. Norris, B.K.D.C.

TRANSFER.

The following are transferred from Lyceum to Belchers for duty on and from 5th instant.

Sapper A. H. G. Jackson and Sapper M. M. Mass.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

TUESDAY, 9th instant: 6.30 a.m. Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 1 and 2, at Peak Range, for the following:—Lieut. F. A. Perry, Privates B. P. Th. Arnold, H. E. Hayward and W. W. MacKenzie.

6.45 a.m. No. 2 Platoon (N.O.s and men as detailed by Lieut. Edmonds, at King's Park Range, Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 3 and 4, Dress, Drill order with two small pouches.

5.15 p.m. No. 1 Platoon, at Law Courts and processed by Train to Happy Valley, New Dispensing Building, Drill Order.

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5.30 p.m. No. 1 Platoon, Nos. 1 and 2 Sections, at Headquarters. Musketry Instruction. Dress, Drill Order with two small pouches.

5.30 p.m. No. 3 Platoon at Headquarters. Musketry Instruction. Dress, Drill Order with two small pouches.

THURSDAY, 11th instant: 4.45 p.m. No. 3 Platoon (N.O.s and men as detailed by Lieut. Edmonds) at King's Park Range, Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 3 and 4, Dress, Drill order with two small pouches.

FRIDAY, 12th instant: 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Platoon, Nos. 3 and 4 Sections, at Headquarters. Musketry Instruction. Dress, Drill Order with two small pouches.

5.30 p.m. No. 3 Platoon at Headquarters. Musketry Instruction. Dress, Drill Order with two small pouches.

"B" COMPANY.

SUNDAY, 7th instant: 7.30 a.m. N.O.s and men of Tai Koo Sections at Tai Koo Range. Annual Musketry Course. Officer in Charge, to be detailed later.

TUESDAY, 9th instant: 6.30 a.m. at Peak Range, Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 1 and 2. The following will attend:—Privates J. Walker, H. J. Knight and G. T. Edkins. Officer in Charge, Lieut. Beswick.

WEDNESDAY, 10th instant: 6.30 a.m. at Peak Range, Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 3 and 4. The following will attend:—Corps. H. T. Jones, E. L. Dowling and W. H. Bell. Lieut. Corp. A. O. Lang. Privates S. H. Dodwell, G. W. C. Burnett, W. L. Patterson, G. F. Nightingale, J. H. C. Goodham, D. Jaffee and F. Graham. Officer in Charge, Lieut. Beswick.

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HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Teui during the years 1875-8.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

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WEATHER REPORT.

October 5d. 1917. 32nd. — Warning to Hongkong Coast Ports, Manila, etc. — Typhoon in Lat. 15° N. Long. 135° E. moving W.N.W., velocity unknown.

October 5d. 12h. 30m. — No returns from Japan and Vladivostok. Pressure has decreased slightly to moderately at all stations reporting. The anticyclone has weakened, and the depression over S. Annam has filled up. A typhoon formed to the east of Luzon yesterday; at 6 a.m. this morning it was situated in Lat. 15° N. Long. 135° E. approximately, moving W.N.W.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 77.64 inches, against an average of 77.08 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 6th October:—

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock: N.E. winds, fresh; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel: The same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China, between Hongkong and Lamook: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China, between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

OFFICIAL NIGHTS FOR OCTOBER.

The following table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of Oct. 1917.

Date	Ends	Begins
Oct. 5th	8.33 a.m.	6.10 p.m.
6th	8.33	6.10
7th	8.33	6.10
8th	8.33	6.10
9th	8.33	6.10
10th	8.33	6.10</